GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Assistance to APL Category Patients
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) the details of the health schemes to provide financial assistance to patients in the Above Poverty Line (APL) category;

(b) whether the Government proposes to relax the ceiling of annual income for including financially backward general category individuals; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA)
(a): Under the scheme "Health Minister's Discretionary Grant (HMDG)" of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, financial assistance is provided to patients having annual family income up to Rs.1,00,000/- and below, to defray a part of the expenditure on Hospitalization/treatment in Government Hospital as per guidelines of the scheme.
The quantum of financial assistance granted is as follows:

I. Rs.50,000/-, if the estimated cost of treatment is up to Rs.1,00,000/-;

II. Rs.75,000/- if the estimated cost of treatment is above Rs.1,00,000/- and up to Rs.1,50,000/-

III. Rs.1,00,000/- if the estimated cost of treatment is above Rs.1,50,000/-.

(b) & (c): At present, no proposal to raise the ceiling of annual family income for availing assistance under HMDG scheme is under consideration of the Government.